

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
COUNTY OF NEWPORT**

The Board of Canvassers of the Town of Tiverton, County and State aforesaid held a Meeting at the Tiverton Town Hall, 343 Highland Road on Tuesday, October 14, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chair Bobby J Harris-present
Member Paul Amaral-present
Member Charles Moran-absent
Alternate Jean Veegh-present

Vice Chair DeEtta Moran-present
Town Clerk-Nancy Mello-present
Clerk Jeanne Spencer-present
Clerk Kathleen Wood-present

Chair Mr. Harris called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

1. Review and Approve Minutes:

- Approval of October 8, 2014 Minutes
A motion was made by P. Amaral, and seconded by D. Moran to accept the minutes as amended to correct the wording in paragraph 4. The motion passed unanimously as amended.

2. Unfinished Business

3. New Business

- The Board Certified Final Canvass for the November 4th General Election.
- The Board certified forty-four Mail Ballot Applications, eleven Category 1 and thirty-three Category 4 on six Certification sheets for the November Election. Chief Blakey will deliver to the Board of Elections on Friday.
- N. Mello stated various newspaper editors will be contacting the Board of Canvassing Members to give their thoughts on Local Question #8, Amendment to Tiverton Home Rule Charter Article II Financial Town Referendum, Section 301. A discussion was had in regards to the Charter Question and how it will reduce the FTR staffing costs by consolidating and the convenience of a Saturday. A key issue would be eliminating the confusion of the voters by consolidating pole locations. N. Mello stated the system for absentee voting will still be in place. Absentee Ballots will run the same as before, three days at the Town Hall. The B.O.C. will decide where the FTR voting will take place and what poles would be used. The question only addresses the date of the FTR. P. Amaral stated THS can accommodate the public and will eliminate confusion.
- N. Mello reported to the Board that the poll worker recruiting effort have been a success. Flyers had been posted in the Tax Collection Office and various locations in Town. Twelve students will work at the various polling stations as Greeters opening the door and assisting voters.

4. Board Member Items

- N. Mello questioned the number of registered voters for the General Election. Clerk J. Spencer provided a report dated 10/7/2014 showing approximately 12,748 voters. The report shows Active, Inactive, Pending, Incomplete, and Active with NCOA change.
- N. Mello mentioned she will check with the DPW Director to see if the grading has been done at Amicable Congregational Church.
- B. Harris stated that the Board members should go around visiting all the polling stations not just stay at one location. N. Mello stated the Town Sergeant, five Police Officers, the Town Clerk and the Board Members will assist on election night with closing of the polls.

There being no further business a motion was made by D. Moran and seconded by Mr. Amaral to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Bobby J. Harris, Chair_____ DeEtta M. Moran, Vice Chair_____

Paul Amaral, member_____ Jean M. Veegh, alternate_____

A True Copy: Attest_____Nancy L. Mello, Town Clerk